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In re Application of :  
Tom Q Wellbaum, et al. :  
Application No. 09/427,300 :  
Filed: October 26, 1999 :  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 16, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed February 12, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on May 13, 2003.

The Change of Correspondence Address has been accepted and recorded.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2600, Art Unit 2661 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-5594.

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